

An Account of the late

Great and Famous Victory

Obtained over

Two Thousand High-Land Rebels,

In the North of *Scotland*, by His

Majesty's Forces, Commanded by Sir *Tho. Levisstone*,

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A particular Relation of the Killing Five Hundred of the Enemy, and the Taking of One Hundred Prisoners; of which Number, were several Officers of Note.

Licensed, and Entered according to Order.

Just now the Council received the following Account, by an Express from Sir *Thomas Levisstone* (who Commands a part of our Forces in the North) that he having intercepted some Letters which discovered some Intrigues of the Rebels, and the measures they designed to take; he immediately assembled his Forces, which consisted of Eleven Hundred Men, and marched all Night after the Enemy, who were to the Number of Two Thousand: And, in their March, were forced to Ford a River up to their Arm-pits; Colonel *Levisstone*, and other Officers, (to encourage the Soldiers) went in first: Our Men came up to the Enemy before day, and Attaqued them in their Camp; which was so great a surprise to them, that they immediately fled; and, in pursuit, there were Killed about Five Hundred of the Rebels, and One Hundred taken Prisoners, (among which were many considerable Officers of Note) with little loss on our side. The Prisoners gave Sir *Thomas* an account, That they expected daily to be joyned by a great many more; of whom the Colonel designs to go in pursuit of; and doubts not, but in a very little time, to be able to give a very good account of them.

On *Saturday* advice was brought to *Edenbrough*, from the *West*, giving an account, That a Ship Landed in *Galloway*, near the Mouth of the Water of *Oar*, sent from the late King *James*, from the Bay of *Dublin*, with Men, Arms, and Ammunition, &c. they Landed some Men in the Night, undiscovered, who have gone through the Country with several Letters

from the late King *James*. The Country People in that Place being in a posture of Defence, the next day seized the Vessel in the River, with the Arms and Ammunition, &c. and Sixteen Officers, who are sent for by the Council. This Ship carried but Four pieces of Cannon.

As the happy News, which almost daily arrives from *Ireland*, of the good Success His Majesties Forces meets with there, both by Sea and Land, is sufficient to encourage the hopes all good Protestants, and Well-wishers to the Interest of great *Brittain* have, of a speedy and intire Reduction of that Kingdom, to the subjection of the Crown of *England*; So the no less happy Accounts we have received of His Majesty's Affairs in the Kingdom of *Scotland* confirms all good Men in their Belief of the speedy and intire Settlement of that Kingdom, in the true Foundations of Peace and Unity; notwithstanding the *Roman Catholicks* and other *Jacobites*, Enemies to the Interests of their Majesties, and these Kingdoms, by their no less Impudent than false and scandalous Reports, which they daily spread abroad, with design to Poyson the Minds of many well-meaning People, and perswade them to the contrary: For as hitherto Almighty *God* has blest His Majesty, and His Arms with Success, in all His no less Just and Righteous, than Great Undertakings; so we doubt not but He will continue his Blessing unto Their Majesties, and Their good Subjects, and frustrate all the Designs of their Enemies. For a continuance of whose Blessing is, and ought to be the Prayers of all good Men.

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many honest suffering Ministers etc now had been relieved of their labours
 it a greater Displeasure had been made. But what if any remaining Obstacle
 should prove a real Displeasure in the Disposition of our Church, would
 not the blame be lodged at our own Door? Some are at the same language
 that was spoken in 1745, 'tis time to leave the House of Commons, and to
 (should be said) To such I shall give the Trouble of Trophies, and the
 to dwell in your Cried House, and the House of Commons.

S P E E C H

We have occasion with a View to such the Lord God of our Fathers, that
 the floor is not at the King's Door, but that he hath put such a thing as this
 in his Heart, to Beautify his House with that Model, which shall be suited
 to the Inclinations of his People, which I trust will be suited to the Pattern

William Earl of Crawford.

We are threatened by a Foreign Enemy, our Country is infested at home,
 and the Kingdom labours under many Inconveniences: What
 should become of us, if His Majesty withhold His special Protection, and
 we were left to the mercies of our Enemies? I thought I should be desired
 to the great Advantage, and our other Grievances, which are redressed, the
 Nation cannot be late, without a deeply sensible to the present Exigency

To the Parliament of Scotland, 1750.

It is a matter of heavy Regret, that so many a truly sensible to the present Exigency
 My Lords and Gentlemen

I May say with *Nehemiah*, to the Noble Rulers, and rest of this Honour-
 able Assembly; *The work before us is great, and we are few, and the City is large,*
the Wall is far from us, and our Gates are open to our Enemies. Our Religion,
 Church Government, Public Safety, Laws and Liberties, are all at
 Stake; and the Enemy is watching for our falling in our endeavours, for
 every one of them. Yet if God countenance us, so that Duty be made plain,
 and we be helped to follow it, we are under the Protection of a Prince, who
 is a great Judge where our true Interest lies, and I am convinced, will
 faithfully deal to us, whatever upholds that Claim, we shall apply for.

His Majesties Printed Instructions for last Session, are plain evidences of
 His tender regard of His People, and contain greater Considerations than we
 have seen or read of, in the Reigns of any of our Kings for many Ages.
 But I trust this new Duty will complete that Tranquility, which we so
 impatiently wish and wait for: And that we shall be engaged to say of His
 Majesty, as the Queen of Sheba did of Solomon; *Blessed be the Lord God,*
which delighted in thee, to set thee on the Throne, because the Lord loved us,
therefore made he the King to do Judgment and Justice.

It were a suitable Return to His Majesty, for the great things He hath
 done for us, to repose an entire Trust in Him, and evidence a true Zeal for
 His Service; which in this Critical time, as it would be most satisfying
 and engaging to so generous a Prince. So it would be of notable advantage
 to His and our Affairs.

- Were it not a reasonable part to guard against Prejudices towards one
 another, and when all is at Stake, to part with trivial differences (our
 Enemies only reaping advantage by them) and to employ our selves to the
 utmost, for the Settlement of our Church, the Defence of the Kingdom,
 and the Enacting of other good Laws now under our Consideration; That
 we may comfortably and fully partake, of the wonderful Deliverance God
 hath wrought for us?

If in our last Session we had begun at the House of God, other things might
 have framed better in our hands; hath not the Church suffered sadly by
 our Differences? And have not our delays made the Work more difficult?
 The Opposition at home, and Clamor abroad, had certainly been less, and
 many

many honest suffering Ministers ere now had been relieved of their Pinches, if a greater Dispatch had been made. But what if any remainig Obstacle should prove a real Disappointment in the Establishing of our Church, would not the blame be lodged at our own Door? Some are at the same Language that was spoken in *Haggai's* days; *The time is not come that the Lord's House should be built:* To such I shall give the Prophets Answer, *It is time for you to dwell in your Cield Houses, and this House ly waste?*

We have occasion with *Ezra*, to bless the Lord God of our Fathers, that the stop is not at the King's Door, but that he hath put such a thing as this in his Heart, to Beautifie his House with that Model, which shall be suited to the Inclinations of his People, which I trust will be squared to the Pattern that was in the Mount, and not mostly regulated by Human Policy.

We are threatned by a Forreign Enemy, our Country is Infested at home, and the Kingdom sadly exposed to many great Inconveniencies: What should become of us, if His Majesty withdrew His special Protection, and we were left to the rage of our Enemies? Though our Church were Settled to the greatest Advantage, and our other Grievances likewise Redressed, the Nation cannot be safe, without a supply suitable to the present Exigency.

It is matter of heavy Regrate, that so many are Groaning under the load of Forfeitures and Fines, and His Majesty willing to relieve them, and as yet no Issue put to those desirable Purposes.

May the Wisdom and Goodness of God, so Over-rule all our Counsels, that we be not imposed upon by false Notions of things: Let neither Partiality on the one side, nor Passion on the other, either keep up former Differences, or give a rise to new ones, lest it be said of us, as was spoke by *Ezra* upon the like occasion; *And after all this is come upon us for our cruel Deeds, and for our great Treasures, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less than our Iniquities deserve, and hast given us such Deliverance as this, should we again break thy Commandments.*

What my Lord Commissioner spoke the other day, was delivered to such advantage, that any enlargement I could make on it, would be like a rash touch of a Pencil, by an unskilful hand, upon a compleat Picture; So I forbear every thing of that kind.

It is beyond Debate, that in this Honourable Assembly, the Hearts of a great many are very warm to His Majesty, and that His, tho at a distance from us, is no less filled with thoughts of Favour to us: So if the Refule of our Counsels be not comfortable to our selves, and of National Advantage, I am afraid, the present opportunity of doing well, if neglected, shall prove a heavy Charge against us, in the Day of our Accounts.

But as the Lord's hand hath been eminently seen in every step of our late escape from Popery, and begun Reformation; So I trust the Head-stone shall be put on with Shouting, and we shall in the Issue be forced to acknowledge, *This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our Eyes.*

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